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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW

1. PLEASE DELIVER ASAP THE FOLLOWING PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW. SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING SENT BY POUCH.

2. TEXT OF LETTER AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

JANUARY 18, 1977

DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL LETTER OF NOVEMBER 10. YOUR WORDS HELD SPECIAL MEANING FOR MRS. FORD AND ME AND WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR WRITING.
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I COUNT SINGAPORE AS ONE OF OUR BEST FRIENDS, AND VERY MUCH ADMIRE YOUR LEADERSHIP WHICH HAS BEEN SO IMPORTANT TO THE COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. THE STEADFAST SUPPORT AND FRIENDSHIP OF SINGAPORE DURING THE PAST TWO AND ONE HALF YEARS ENABLED US TO CONTINUE TO PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE

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ROLE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND CONTRIBUTE TO CONTINUED STABIL-
ITY AND PEACE. I TRUST THAT THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR
TWO PEOPLES WHICH HAS DEVELOPED DURING MY TERM IN OFFICE
WILL BE CONTINUED AND EXPANDED IN THE FUTURE.

IT HAS BEEN A SPECIAL HONOR AND PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO SERVE
AS PRESIDENT OF MY COUNTRY. ONE OF MY MOST VALUED ASPECTS
OF THIS HAS BEEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WORLD LEADERS
SUCH AS YOURSELF. I THANK YOU FROM MY HEART FOR THE KIND
WORDS OF YOUR LETTER AND FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP OVER THESE
YEARS.

SINCERELY,

GERALD R. FORD

THE HONORABLE
LEE KUAN YEW
PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
SINGAPORE

UNQUOTE.

3. WHITE HOUSE HAS NO PLANS TO RELEASE TEXT, BUT NO
OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO.

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